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Takafumi SUZUKI et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2006 0741A

Serial No. 10/579,389 : Group Art Unit 1714

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTIONS REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO 23-0975

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of June 26, 2008, constituting a species election between groups "a-e", Applicants hereby elect the subject matter of group "e" (claims 1-3, 8 and 9-27), with traverse.

Applicants respectfully submit that unity of invention was found to exist in the PCT International Preliminary Report on Patentability. Applicants herewith attach the International Preliminary Report on Patentability for the present application. Applicants note that Box No. IV is <u>not</u> checked indicating that Unity of Invention was found to exist.

In any case, Applicants remind the Examiner that upon allowance of a generic claim, Applicants are entitled to consideration of additional species as provided by 37 CFR §1.141.

Favorable action on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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